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1. For some time the Poles have been trying to get the textile industry started again in the Langenbielau (H26) district of Lower Silesia. Several commissions from the Polish Government and from private industry have visited the area to study conditions, but have so far been unable to accomplish anything, due to careless dismantling and a lack of skilled workers.
2. At the time of the Russian occupation, the more important weaving mills were hurriedly dismantled, and valuable machinery was shipped to the USSR. Later, the Russians carried out a second dismantling and more equipment was removed. Private Polish firms then took away a portion of the remaining machinery and raw material. Finally, a group of Lodz industrialists appeared and pulled over whatever was left. As a result, very little remains in the way of machinery and raw materials.
3. In spite of the efforts of the Polish ["]Bürgermeister of Langenbielau to retain a considerable number of German skilled workers, only about one hundred were exempted from expulsion to Germany.
4. At present such textiles as are produced at Langenbielau find their way almost entirely to the black market in Warsaw.
5. Most of the members of the Dierig family, owners of the large "Christian-Dierig AG" textile enterprises in Langenbielau, committed suicide when the Russians occupied the area.

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